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SIR:

Applicants submit the following paper in accordance with CFR 1.114(c). Initially, kindly amend the above-identified application before examination as set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 and 3-8 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

9. (New) A multipole electrical connector for providing a releasable coupling with a mating connector, comprising:
- a housing; and
  - a contact set supported in the housing, the contact set including a plurality of contact elements, each of the contact elements including a contact section and a connecting section;